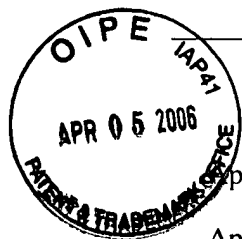


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Applicants : Fangrow et al.
App. No : 09/879,364
Filed : June 12, 2001
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1. Submission Required under 37 CFR 1.114:

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 - (X) Amendment/Reply in 5 pages.
 - (X) Terminal Disclaimer in 2 pages.
 - (X) Information Disclosure Statement and PTO/SB/08 Equivalent in 4 total pages (IDS and PTO/SB/08).
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FEE CALCULATION				
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Independent Claims	3 - 3 = *	1201 (\$200)	0 x 200 =	\$0
Terminal Disclaimer				\$130
			TOTAL FEE DUE	\$920

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